

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1268

By Mumpower

A RESOLUTION to honor Jurnee Carr for her meritorious service to the animal kingdom.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the elected members of this General Assembly should pause to specially recognize those emerging leaders who strive to improve the quality of life for their fellow citizens; and

WHEREAS, Jurnee Carr, the daughter of Junior and Whitney Carr of Johnson City, is one such superlative young lady who evinces the greatest integrity and probity in all of her chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, a freshmen at Daniel Boone High School, where she is highly regarded among her peers, Ms. Carr has maintained a straight "A" student status while participating in numerous extracurricular activities, including volleyball, golf, and basketball; and

WHEREAS, possessing a deep and abiding love for the animal kingdom, in 2007, Jurnee Carr founded the non-profit organization, Jurnee's Journey: Helping All God's Creations, which provides funds and support to no-kill animal groups throughout Tennessee in order to prevent the euthanasia of pets; and

WHEREAS, only twelve years old at the time, her youth has not deterred her in any way from working for the proper protection of animals, and to date she has raised over \$10,000 to provide every pet with a loving, permanent home; and

WHEREAS, in September of 2009, this remarkable young lady was crowned Miss Teen Tennessee International 2010, and her illustrious position has allowed her to travel across the state, speaking to over 250,000 people on the importance of spaying and neutering pets in order to control the pet population; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to awards and accolades, Jurnee Carr has earned countless honors, including Miss Teen Tennessee International 2010 and the Spirit of Pageantry Award, Ridgeview School Scholar-Athlete of the Year, Ridgeview School Most Valuable Player; Ridgeview All "A" Honor Roll; Washington County 9th grade 4-H Public Speaking Contest Winner, Washington County 8th grade 4-H Public Speaking Contest First Runner-Up, Washington County 7th grade 4-H Public Speaking Contest Winner, Regional 7th grade 4-H Public Speaking Contest Second Runner-Up, Girl Scout Bronze Award, Washington County 6th grade 4-H Public Speaking Contest Winner, Regional 6th grade 4-H Public Speaking Contest Second Runner-Up, and Washington County 5th grade 4-H Public Speaking Contest Winner; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Carr's many achievements are a special source of pride for her family, her many friends, and the good people of Tennessee who are deeply proud of this remarkable young lady and her many accomplishments; and

WHEREAS, Jurnee Carr has attained excellence in many diverse fields of human endeavor at a young age, from scholastic achievements and community outreach to pageant competition, and she should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor Jurnee Carr for her meritorious service to the animal kingdom, salute her dedication to excellence and public service, and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.